



School Building Authority of West Virginia

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Construction Committee Members

FROM: Dr. Mark A. Manchin, Executive Director

DATE: September 16, 2013

SUBJECT: New School Square Foot Cost allowance Increase

During the June 2013 quarterly meeting of the Authority, several revisions were made to the Quality and Performance document regarding school access safety requirements. These revisions include items such as secured visitor entrances at administrative offices, increased safety technology, security glazing at building entrances and bollards to prevent vehicular entry into the facility.

Since the approval of these revisions, there have been a number of projects bid wherein these items have been bid as alternate proposals in order to establish actual cost data. Additionally, we have discussed these revisions with our construction analyst, as well as construction managers on other SBA projects, in order to determine the cost impact on our current funding formula.

Based on these factors, we respectfully recommend the following square foot costs for the 2013 new school construction projects:

School Type	Current Square Foot Max. Cost Allowance	Projected Square foot Max. Cost Allowance	Difference
Elementary schools	\$253	\$256	\$3
Middle Schools	\$249	\$252	\$3
High Schools	\$247	\$250	\$3

Green school costs would be added to this amount as they are funded.

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